



I-15 work will stop for holiday weekend

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In an effort to help make the July 4th weekend smooth for traveling, crews on the Interstate 15 Core project and other region locations will curtail work beginning noon Thursday. Work will resume at 9 p.m. July 5.

Instead, the Utah Department of Transportation will be working with America's Freedom Festival leaders on synchronizing signal lights and moving traffic smoothly from place to place.

"We're going to be working with traffic signals to and from events," UDOT spokesman Scott Thompson said. "We want to get people there safely and efficiently."

Thompson said that while there will be no new detours or changes, there are several orange barrels out on the road with some lane shifting. That will still be in place.

"Those traveling need to be alert. Traffic will be a little heavier during the weekend fun. We need drivers to be courteous and obey the speed limits," Thompson said. "With increased volume of traffic we need to get people there safely and efficiently. Where possible, we are encouraging people to carpool to events."

Though work on the lanes of I-15 will be halted during the holiday weekend, there may be some crew members in various areas working on the shoulder areas.